

Abstract of the Disclosure

Apparatus and methods for retrieving a vascular filter from a vessel are provided wherein a retrieval adapter is delivered to a treatment site  
5 concurrently along with an interventional device to reduce the number of steps required to remove the vascular filter. The retrieval adapter also reduces the possibility of entangling the vascular filter with a stent disposed within the vessel during removal of  
10 the vascular filter. A separate retrieval catheter is also described for use in conjunction with the retrieval adapter.